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Promotion Program Pupils Center School Interesting Event

There were 34 certificates of promotion given to the members of the eighth grade of Center School at the exercises held in the Town Hall on the evening of June 10th, the announcement of which was made in the last issue of the Press. The certificates were given by Supt. Robert N. Taylor, who spoke briefly on the class motto "Knowledge is power". The exercises opened with the flag salute and national anthem, after which Rev. Edward Fairbank gave the invocation and David Powell gave the class welcome. The musical play which was written and directed by Mrs. Esther Leonard was presented by members of the class aided by the children from the other grades. The play was original and very entertaining to the large audience. The stage was decorated most attractively with flowers and with the class banner in blue and yellow.

Members of the class are Marian Ethel Avery, Russell Allen Bigelow, Beverly Arlene Billings, Barbara Phyllis Bolton, Doris Isabel Doolittle, Blanch Teresa Duda, David Dwight, Jane Field, Betty Elaine Franz, Jerome David Gingras, Ruth Anne Healey, Ruth Brettle Holton, Philip Edward Hubbard, Emily Loveland Kirk, Julia Ann Ladzinski, Donna Mae Laplante, Emma Agnes Lavallee, Anne Stark Livingston, Fred Walter Luciw, Lorrene May Lyons, Ralph Lyons, Helen Blanche Mitchell, James Harvey Morgan, Mary Elizabeth Mosse, Nina Laing Powell, John Douglas Powell, Lawrence Hale Randall, Paul Emory Rikert, Edwin Moses Stevens, Elmin Orenz Stevens, Betty Ann Taylor, Francis Raymond Tenney and Marilyn Ruth Whitney.

Class officers are: David Powell president; Ruth Anne Healey vice-president, and Anne Livingston, secretary-treasurer. The words to the class song, "School Friends," were written by David Powell. Mary Ann Wozniak and Donald Hutchinson were class marshals.

The benediction was given by Rev. Edward Fairbank. Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, supervisor of music, directed the singing.

Coming Wedding

The marriage of Miss Helen Arline Sinclair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William James Sinclair of Arlington to Carleton Kendrick Finch, son to Mr. and Mrs. Cortland R. Finch of this town, will take place on Friday evening, June 30, at eight o'clock at the Orthodox Congregational church in Arlington. Mr. Finch is an Ensign in the United States Naval Reserve. A reception will follow at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair.

Friends of Harold A. Leslie, director of the Pioneer Valley Symphony orchestra will be interested to learn that he has been named as musical advisor to the city library association of Springfield by that city's Council.

High School Graduates Senior Class Fifteen Town Hall Exercises

The commencement period for the graduating class of the High School ended with the graduation exercises in the Town Hall on Thursday evening, June 15 when in the presence of an audience that filled the hall to capacity, Superintendent Robert N. Taylor presented diplomas to the following members:

Elizabeth Louise Phelps, Karlene Shirley Tyler, Fay Warnock, who receive high honors; Nellie Elizabeth Brassor, Norma Ada Fellows, Clinton Ralph Holton and Arlene Evelyn Williams with honor; Evelyn Adelaide Bassett, Virginia Ann Bolton, Norman Irwin Bolton, Mildred Irene Clough, Warren Andrew Hutchinson, Robert Dunnell Johnson, Leland Robert Lawrence and Harlan Emmons Randall.

The address of the evening was by Prof. W. S. Wells of Massachusetts State college who gave many valuable suggestions and much sound advice for all in facing the future and marking their career.

The stage was beautifully decorated with greens and flowers and the class colors prevailed, making a fine background as the program was offered. Rev. J. Glover Johnson gave the invocation and benediction; Elizabeth Louise Phelps delivered the Salutatorian address. Karlene Shirley Tyler offered the Valedictorian address and there was singing by the class and others singing by the class and others.

Principal Roland E. Currier read the names of the Pro Merito members and Mrs. Gladys Shattuck of the Alumni association awarded the alumni prizes.

The class officers Pres., Clinton Ralph Holton, Vice-pres., Leland Robert Lawrence, secretary, Elizabeth Louis Phelps and treasurer, Karlene Shirley Tyler. The class motto is "Smile through test and trial".

The class held their class day program on Wednesday evening previous at the town hall with most interesting exercises.

On Sunday morning, June 11, the class attended services at the local Congregational church for their baccalaureate sermon delivered by the acting pastor, Rev. J. Glover Johnson of Mount Hermon school faculty.

Women Elect Committee

At the meeting of the women of the town at Alexander hall Saturday, June 17, only a small number were present but they voted Mrs. Kenneth Leach, Mrs. Irving J. Lawrence and Mrs. Earl Lilly to the Board on the Alexander Hall committee. Mrs. H. H. Morse was chosen to fill the vacancy of Mrs. Charles F. Taber who has removed from town.

Mrs. Louis M. Abbey was elected chairman and Mrs. Joseph Morgan, secretary.

Officials of the town have received copies of the report of the County Commissioners and the county Treasurer which indicates the status of county affairs, particularly financial.

The Seminary Sixty-first Commencement Graduates A Class Of 156 Students

Weekend Was Alive With Much Activity

The 61st commencement of the Northfield Seminary, which after July first will be called the Northfield School for Girls, provided much activity during the weekend, of June 10, 11 and 12. During the last week of classes, the off time was filled with social affairs, the saying of goodbyes and the packing of trunks and pack-



DR. MIRA B. WILSON
Principal
Northfield Seminary

ages. Formal events before the final curtain was rung down, began on Saturday with a program of much interest to both students and guests. There was a swimming exhibition at the gymnasium pool; a final chapel gathering; a reception at the home of Miss Wilson the Principal; and some group sessions. On Sunday morning early, a communion service was held at the chapel and Sunday evening was the organ recital by Edouard Nies-Berger, the noted artist, followed by the traditional lantern service. The baccalaureate sermon was Sunday morning in Sage Chapel by Dr. Mira B. Wilson, principal of the school.

Preaching on "New Values", she said, "Whether we welcome it or not, there is an urgency about life in 1944 not unlike that expressed in the first century by passages like 'Know ye not, that I must be about my Father's business' and we 'must work the works of Him that sent me while it is yet day: the night cometh when no man can work.'"

"There is no time to take out one's knitting," she continued, "nor is there time to do much experimenting with the second rate. God summons us to a more intensive weighing and treasuring and discarding of values than the pre-war time knew. The only course that can strengthen the chances for Christian civilization will have to be marked by fervent inclusions and courageous omissions."

Commencement exercises were Monday morning and a large audience filled Sage Chapel to capacity in addition to the graduating class. The diplomas were presented by Dr. Wilson, the Principal of the local High school to accept a more important responsibility with the following address by Dr. Wil-

TOWN TOPICS

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. F. Wilton Dean of this town on Wednesday, June 14th, at the Franklin County hospital.

Mrs. Iva S. Leonard of this town has gone to East Alstead, N.H., for the summer, where she has a position.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Berger of Syracuse arrived in town last week to open their summer cottage on Rustic Ridge. Mrs. Berger will remain for the summer. Mr. Berger remained only for a short time and returned to his ministerial duties. He is President of the Ridge Association.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Etna Stevens at the Franklin County hospital on Saturday June 10th; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Miner and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stevens of this town. Mr. Stevens, father of the young daughter, is in the service of the air corps.

Local people who desire to do business with the County Chapter of the Red Cross will now find the organization in new quarters at 4 Court Square in Greenfield.

The former Mattoon property on the west side of Main Street, consisting of house, barn and large lot running down to the Central Vermont railroad has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bentley of Hinsdale, who are improving the premises and will occupy for residence.

A son was born to Pvt. and Mrs. Joseph Dzineka of the Farms at the Franklin County hospital on Wednesday, June 7.

Mrs. Leslie Martin is assisting in the work at the Northfield post office during the absence of Miss Cembalisty.

Sessions of the church school at the Unitarian church have been adjourned until September.

Miss Margaret Mary Donahue daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donahue of the Farms, graduated from Our Lady of the Elms college. She majored in English, history and music and received the honor of cum laude. Commencement was the week beginning June 5.

Daniel E. Bodley informs us that the contributions at Mount Hermon in the recent Boy Scout campaign amounted to \$61.65. This does not include the gifts of the students.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Harmon of West Brattleboro will spend the summer at their cottage on Rustic Ridge. They have just returned from Florida and are visiting their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Plumb in Gardner. They expect to spend next winter in St. Petersburg at the home of Dr. Frank C. Nelson, who was a former resident of Northfield.

Miss M. C. Strippel of Kew Gardens, N. Y., has arrived at her cottage on Rustic Ridge to spend the summer. Others recently who have reopened their cottages are Miss Lucy Jackson of Madison, N.J.; Miss Lucy E. Keith of Gardner; Rev. and Mrs. DesJardins of Newark, N. J.; Mrs. H. W. Doremus of New York; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Cregar of Richmond Hill N.Y.; Miss Therese Simar of New York, and Mrs. W. A. McIntire and Miss Mabel Livingston of Elmhurst, N. Y.

The Democratic town committee have recently organized and Harry L. Gingras is chairman and Mrs. Flora Abbey, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. Mildred C. Rapp of Jackson Heights, N. Y., will spend a few days in town next week, in connection with the transfer of her mother's property, Mrs. William W. Coe. She will be greeted by many friends.

Regular morning services will be held in the Congregational church on Sundays, June 25, July 16 and 30th. All services will be resumed on Sunday, August 20.

Paul E. Bowman of the faculty of Mount Hermon will spend the summer at his home in Allentown, Pa.

Selling Out Antiques and Furniture

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Wins High Acclaim For Paper Salvage Miss Wright And Town Attain A Record

For her magnificent work in the recent Salvage campaign for Boy Scouts were particularly active and it is said that a large waste paper, Miss Helen Wright of Revell cottage, a member of the faculty of the Northfield Seminary, head of the mathematics department, has been given the highest credit due to an individual in the state for her successful record in personal effort. Miss Wright is credited with accumulating, directly and indirectly, with the largest amount of waste paper turned in for salvage. To the town of Northfield is also given the credit of having secured the highest percentage per capita of salvaged paper stock, not only in the county, but throughout the entire state. In the recent campaign the local troop quantity of paper is again accumulating among our citizens for a future collection.

No. 5 Telephone Kids' Quiz



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Green, leafy, red and yellow vegetables are the vitamin-rich foods so essential to nutrition. They are rich especially in Vitamin A. At least one should be served on your table every day, and those who do not like them should eat them in spite of that, say the nutritionists.

Some green leafy vegetables can be served raw in salads; others are cooked, and among these are the greens so highly esteemed as spring tonics by our grandmothers, who did not know about vitamins, but did know that greens were healthful. In 25 days from seed after planting you can be harvesting Tendergreen, a variety of mustard, which produces large green leaves which, like Swiss chard, can be cut from the plant without disturbing the root, to be followed immediately by another crop.

There are several varieties of mustard, maturing in 30 to 40 days, which are popular for greens. They have a pungent flavor which is especially popular in the southern states, where greens have been a dietary standby for generations. Most of the mustards will keep bearing until frost.

Spinach takes longer to mature, 40 to 50 days — and does not like hot weather. It is harvested by pulling up the plant by the roots, so that one crop is all it yields. Sow just as soon as the ground can be

worked, in rows a foot apart, and thin out to six inches between the plants. A crop for fall may be sown in July, and will find the cool autumn weather to its liking.

Then, something should be done about it.

Swiss chard is a species of beet which produces an insignificant root, but luxuriant broad leaves, which have a distinctive flavor which many like better than other greens. Chard may be cut off at the ground, and the roots will send up a new crop of leaves several times during the summer. It is highly esteemed for young children during the hot weather when spinach is difficult to grow.

New Zealand spinach is not a spinach, but a tropical plant which botanists call tetragonia expansa. It should not be sown until the ground is fairly warm, and then it should be given plenty of room, 2 to 3 feet between plants. In the northern states it grows to remarkable size, so that a peck of greens can be picked from a single plant once a week until frost come.

Garden sorrel is a hardy perennial which bears edible leaves considered by many to be delicious. It should be sown in drills eighteen inches apart, preferably in light shade, as hot sun is said to increase its acidity. The roots should be divided every four years.

To continue the greens program into the late fall and winter, sow in June seeds of kale or borecole. Transplant to rows with two feet between plants. It takes 110 days to bring plants to maturity, but frost improves the flavor and the plants continue to bear long after other greens have been killed.

Senior Class Awards

At the Senior class graduation Principal Currier presented the following awards: Becker college key to Helen Andrew for proficiency in bookkeeping; a DAR good-citizenship certificate to Karlene Tyler, who also received a book of poems and a pin from the Dorothy Quincy Hancock chapter, DAR; a certificate from the League of Nations for Peace group was awarded to Elizabeth Phelps for an essay entered in a nation-wide contest; the Washington and Franklin medal from Sons of the American Revolution for excellence in United States history was awarded to Clinton Holton; and Pro-Merit pins were presented to four juniors, Rue Jones, June Cota, Norma Leach and Paul Gorzocski.

Alumni prizes of five dollars went to Edward Fortier, freshman, and Lawrence Whitney, sophomore.

Each graduate was given a copy of the "A Puritan Outpost", a history of Northfield, as a gift by vote of the town.

Miss Fanny C. Hatch of Springfield, formerly of this town will again spend the summer at Lac Mato in Quebec, Canada.

Harold Bigelow of the East Northfield postoffice has been enjoying a week's vacation.

Miss Virginia Moody Powell spent a week at her home here from her work at the Red Cross at Mitchell Field, N. Y.

Back the Attack!
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June 12th **V** July 8th

Northfield Citizens Urged To Buy These
Fifth War Loan Gets Good Start Here

Northfield will respond enthusiastically to the Fifth War Loan. Members of the local committee, said Chairman Frank W. Tee, sponsoring the drive for the Pearsall of the local War Finance Committee to members who had Pearsall, chairman, George McEwan, William F. Hoehn, George

gathered to consider and devise ways to get information into every W. Leonard, Postmaster Skilton home through publicity. Already and Postmaster Quinlan, James E. Dresser, Mrs. F. H. Montague, is a steady demand for the bonds Mrs. M. P. Stanley, Miss Marietta Tower and Charles L. Gilbert.

Among the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell over sessions before the summer vacation have liberally subscribed and the amount will be included in the Northfield initial report. Through the co-operation of Spencer Bros., the Northfield hotel, the Seminary, the public schools in their closing session, the Seminary commencement were, Miss Avis Thomson, who spent three years in the Jap prison at Hong Kong but returned on the first trip of the Gripsholm; also her brother Dr. Thompson, the Northfield hotel, the son and his wife, who had been imprisoned by the Japs elsewhere, but who returned on the second trip of the same boat. Their daughter graduated at the Seminary.

The quota for the state is \$328,000,000 and of this \$112,000,000 is set for E bonds purchasable by the individual. Northfield has been given a quota of this amount and the local committee expect that it will be met. It is not expected that a personal canvass will be necessary here, but the committee will send out a letter to former purchasers urging more buying.

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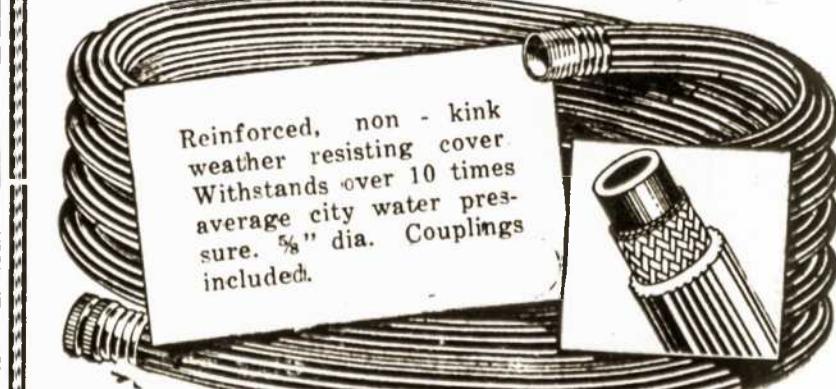
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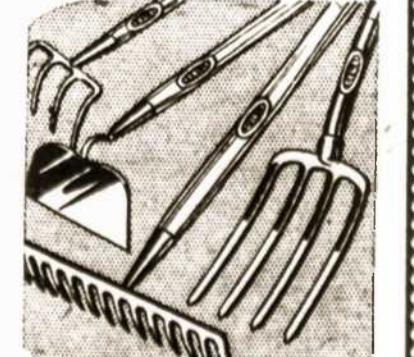


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